

CONCLUSION

The claims have been amended to conform to elected Group I, and new claims 22-26 have been added. Claims 1-2, 4, 6-7, 10, 15-17, 19-20, and 22-26 are pending after the present amendment. No new matter has been added.

Applicants request reconsideration of the restriction requirement and examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

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